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SUBJECT: BIODATA ON AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE PROBST

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FOLLOWING IS THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUESTED REFTEL.

AMEMBASSY PROBST'S HOBBIES INCLUDE THE STUDY OF HISTORY
AND SWIMMING. HE WON VARIOUS SWIMMING MEDALS IN HIS
YOUTH AND STILL TRIES TO SWIM AT LEAST 500 METERS PER DAY.

MRS. PROBST IS A FORMER KINDERGARTEN TEACHER WHO STUDIED
ART AT A TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN BIEL. SHE HAS A DEGREE
IN DECORATIVE ARTS. SHE PAINTS AND PRACTICES DECORATIVE
ARTS IN HER SPARE TIME, ACTIVITIES SHE PLANS TO CONTINUE
IN THE U.S. SHE ALSO ENJOYS HORSEBACK RIDING.

THE PROBSTS HAVE TWO CHILDREN: CHRISTOPH ("CHRIS"),
AGE 29, IS AN AUTOMOBILE ENGINEER WHO OWNS HIS OWN
GARAGE AND IS MARRIED WITH ONE CHILD; KATHARIN, AGE 18,
IS A DECORATIVE ARTS STUDENT WHO ALSO LIKES TO RIDE.
THE DAUGHTER WILL JOIN HER PARENTS IN THE US WHEN
SHE COMPLETES SCHOOL THIS SPRING.

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